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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.56

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of a document known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56. A copy of each listed document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The foregoing document came to Applicant's attention during the prosecution of the corresponding Great Britain application. A copy of the Great Britain Search Report is attached setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner.

Applicant respectfully requests that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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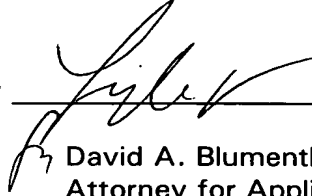
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Respectfully submitted,

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